Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Pastor Jeff Eisele has served his congregations for 25 years with prayerful reflection and compassionate reverence; and,

Whereas, Pastor Eisele graduated from Luther Seminary in 1984 and was ordained November 25, 1984, at his home congregation, Grace Lutheran Church in Apple Valley, Minnesota; and,

Whereas, Pastor Eisele's first call was to Concordia Lutheran Church in Kadoka and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Long Valley, South Dakota, followed by Trinity Lutheran Church in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, from 1988 to 1991, Trinity Lutheran in Birchwood, Wisconsin, and Long Lake Lutheran in Sarona, Wisconsin, from 1991 to 1999; and,

Whereas, Pastor Eisele was called to mission development in Sioux Falls in 2000 and started the development of Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, which has grown to a congregation of 600 members; and,

Whereas, Pastor Eisele has been involved with coaching basketball in middle and high school and in building relationships between the Lutheran congregations; and,

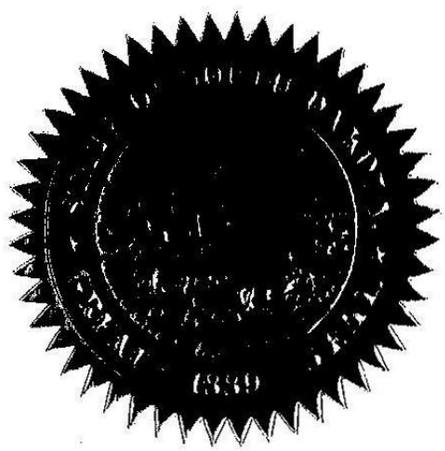
Whereas, Pastor Eisele will be honored on November 22, 2009, for 25 years of faithful service through prayer, encouragement, counseling, and servant leadership, raising awareness to honor and serve God; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the commitment, accomplishment, and many years of service of this special South Dakotan:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 22, 2009, as

PASTOR JEFF EISELE DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State